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In re Application of: Barry Wixey et al.

Application No. 10/757,162

Filed: January 14, 2004

For: PORTABLE POWER PLANER

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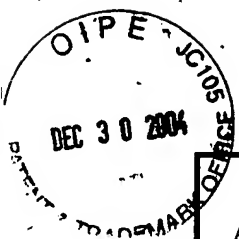
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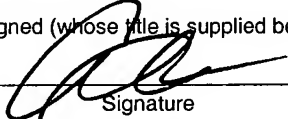
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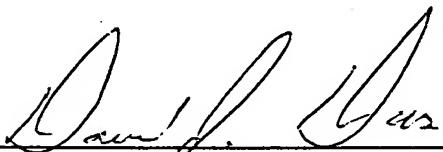
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